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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005 (fees effective on or after October 1, 2004)		Docket Number (Optional) SPINE 3.0-446 CIP II CONT	
Application Number 10/725,297		Filed December 1, 2003	
For INTERVERTEBRAL SPACER DEVICE HAVING A SLOTTED DOMED ARCH STRIP SPRING			
Art Unit 3738		Examiner J. G. Blanco	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):			
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I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.			
<input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 40,592			
<input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a)			
Signature <u>Michael J. Doherty</u>		November 11, 2004 Date	
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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.			
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